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Kim Barnes*Native Colorado*

Barnes is an artist and teacher living and working in Colorado Springs. She has been showing and selling her art for over 15 years and mostly works in acrylic paint on canvas and walls. Barnes is inspired by nature, friends and family to create conceptual art with purpose. As an art teacher at Falcon High School, she helps her students to develop their artistic voice as well as their technical skills.



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Brandi Ross*untitled*

"Water is life. Without water, blood does not flow, food does not grow, life cannot be sustained. The impact of water pollution on wildlife (turtles and birds stuck in plastic) are two of the inspirations for this piece. The human heart with the arteries coming from the aorta transformed into pipes. The rain water going into the arteries and the faucet coming out of the choking human heart represent the cognitive dissonance of our society: people sometimes don't see how their daily choices are hurting the people they love."



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John Cosgrove*Fish with a Purpose*

Cosgrove is a Colorado Springs native with 10 years of experience in painting and doodling with a variety of media and subjects. He was inspired to capture Colorado's natural beauty in his design.



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Marney Harlow*Fish are our Friends*

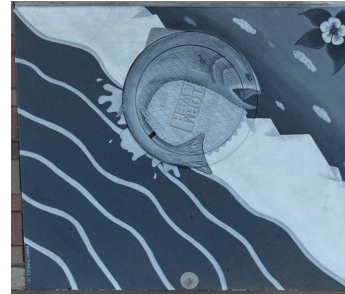
Harlow believes that art helps to unify the city, encouraging community members to try and spot works like the Storm Drain Art Project while they are out and about, and showing tourists how cool our community is. Her design was inspired by the simple spray-painted fish design that has been the "no dumping" indicator on our curbs for years. Notice how her design incorporates the actual concrete beneath it, using its texture to complement the grayscale.



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Mario Sanchez*Colorado Native*

This piece was created to have the same elements of the Colorado Flag, using natural elements. It incorporates a native cut-throat trout jumping out of the water which represents the "C", with snow covered trees and mountains as the white stripe. Sanchez's design shows a direct connection of the drain water to the pristine streams of our great state.



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Dina Buckey*untitled*

Buckey has taught adult art classes for many decades and her work is in private and corporate collections across the United States. Dina has done two murals for the U.S. Army, three corporate commissions for Maker's Mark Bourbon, and single pieces for a variety of socially conscientious institutions. With a Master's in social work, Buckey is passionate about making art accessible to everyone and using art as a healing modality.



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Kami McFall*Not All Trash is Treasure*

"We live in a landlocked state and our waste can go as far as the ocean," McFall points out. "That is why I used the slogan 'There is no away.' Having lived on Oahu, Hawai'i for 3 years, volunteered with beach clean-ups, the problem is getting worse. It breaks my heart knowing creatures out there suffering from our waste; we all need to work together to prevent this."

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2-Watts Creative*The Essence Of Life*

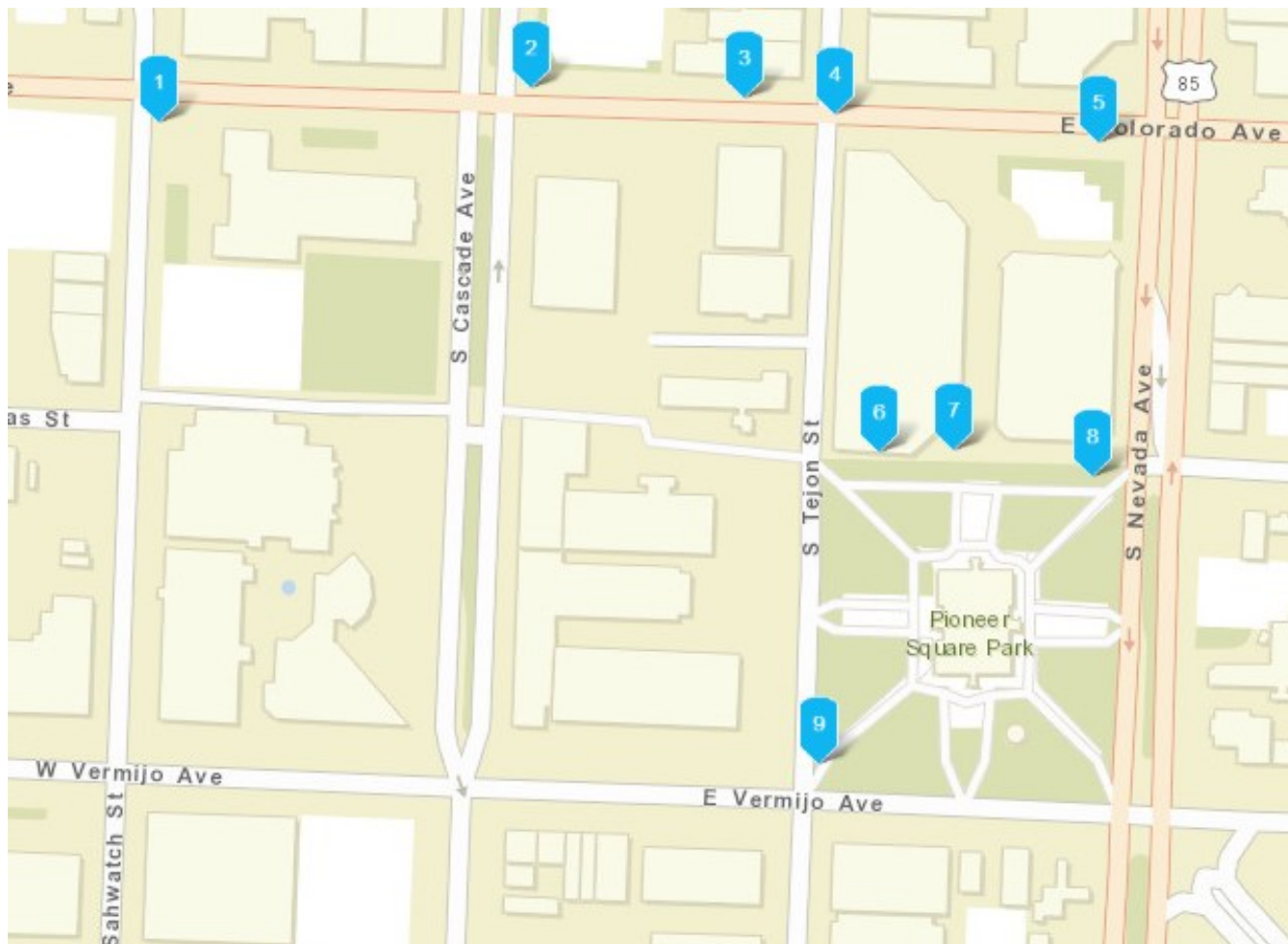
"I tried to depict how water is alive and natural waterways funnel down to drinking water. I thought it would be fun to show some stylized water with bubbles and fish swimming under the water, but I also wanted the fun of detailing out some Colorado Rainbow Trout, which are so distinctive and beautiful."

**Laurel Bahe***Fish Wish*

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Bahe started painting in 2008 at Pikes Peak Community College. On her rides to class along Fountain Creek, not only could she see the mess our litter and garbage makes in a waterway, but occasionally she could smell the effects as well. With this design, she hopes to raise awareness of the need to keep pollutants out of our storm drains.





The Colorado Springs Storm Drain Art Project is a public/private art initiative meant to raise awareness of street drain inlets. Our goal is to educate the public that pollutants that go into storm drains flow untreated into our creeks. The initial 9 exhibits were intentionally done in black & white (grey scale) to make them stand out from others that are painted throughout the city.

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